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Applicant: William Ng

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VIRTUAL TRADE FINANCIAL  
ENVIRONMENT

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**PETITION FOR THREE MONTH EXTENSION  
OF TIME (37 C.F.R. 1.136(A))**

Dear Sir:

Applicant respectfully requests a three month extension of time to respond to the Office Action dated June 29, 2006. The original time for response was set to expire September 29, 2006.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the large entity fee of \$1020.00 and any deficiency or credit any overpayment associated with this communication to deposit account no. **50-1901**.

Respectfully submitted,

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